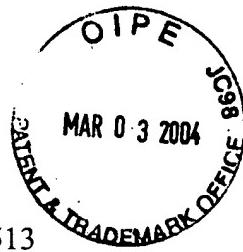


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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

FOREIGN PATENT:

<u>Patent No.</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Publication Date</u>
2000-127067.2	China	April 10, 2002

REMARKS

On February 10, 2004, Applicants' attorney filed an Information Disclosure Statement listing (but not submitting) Chinese Patent No. 2000-127067.2, together with an English abstract and a related English language application (US 2002-0081032). A copy of Chinese Patent No. 2000-127067.2 is now available to Applicant's attorney, and is enclosed herewith together with an additional copy of an English abstract obtained from a commercial database for the Examiner's consideration.

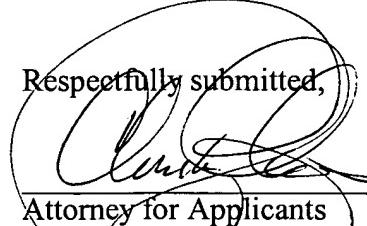
FEE STATEMENT

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the present application, or prior to the mailing of an initial official action. Accordingly, Applicants believe that no fee is required. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee necessitated by this paper to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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